The Crowd=attracting Hour Sales

Every shopper—every house keeper—knows that these Hour Sale s represent the very acme of low pricing. "Price-reduction" is not the word to fit the case—it's literally the lopping off of a large part of lowest regular figures, regardless of costs, regardless of any other consideration but the reaching of the smallest possible figure at which high-class merchandise can be sold. A moment's thought will convince that nothing but the greatest money-saving could bring to the Greater Stores such a throng of buyers as concentrate here every Friday, in season and out of season, fair weather or foul. There's the greatest attractiveness in the specials we've prepared for you tomorrow.

9 to 10.

Best Quality Shoe Dressing-2c.

Ladies' Fine Cloth Overgaiters

Little Boys' Leather Leggins,

\$1.25 quality-69c. 36-inch Cream Curtain Scrim, pretty designs, sells at 5c. yd.--

Best Quality Stair or Runner Oilcloth, good size lengths, selling

at 10c. yd .- 37/8c. Best grade 5-4 Colored or White Table Oilcloth, pretty patterns and

colors, sells at 20c. yd.-107/sc. Waterproof Felt Window Shades, various colors, with fix-

tures complete-51/2c. Very Smart Mink Fur Neckpieces, long, bushy tails, low priced at \$2.98-\$1.98.

Boys' Knee Pants, durably and nicely made—5c.

Boys' Waists, excellent fabrics, well sewed-6c.

Choice of any Colored Felt Untrimmed Hat, up to the finest grades, selling as high as \$2.25-

Wings, Breasts, Birds, Pompons, etc., worth from 39c. to \$1.25

Odds and ends in Men's Underwear, worth from 50c. to \$1-25c. 35c. All-wool Hose-17c.

50c. and 75c. Percale Shirts, stiff bosoms and neglige-25c. Men's Sample Underwear, allwool camel's hair, balbriggan and silk and wool, worth \$1 to \$2.50-

Bleached and Unbleached Twilled Tea Toweling, regularly

5c. vd.-27/8c. Amoskeag Apron Ginghams, called "seconds," but perfect, blue and brown checks, sells at 7c. yd.

Linen Doylies, in red, white and blue checks, worth fully 3c. each

10 to 11.

Ladies' Corsets, good make, black or white, long and medium,

all sizes-29c. Ladies' Eiderdown Dressing Sacques, lavender, pink and blue, silk frog fasteners, sell regularly at \$1-29c.

Ladies' White Aprons, nicely made—9c. Ladies' Fine Black English

Kersey Newmarkets, satin half lined, few only, sell at \$29.98-Special, \$14.98.

Handsome Imitation Marten Neckpieces, long and bushy; sold at \$4.98-to close, \$2.98.

Ladies' Very High-grade, Heavy Black Pebble Cheviot Skirts, beautifully made with flounce; 24 rows silk stitching; \$10 is the prevailing price-\$4.98. Ladies' Fine Black Kersey Jackets, edges finished with silk

stitching-\$4,98. Ladies' Very Stylish Raglans, newest and best styles; popular Oxford gray and brown, very high grade; selling every day at \$15 and \$18-special at \$6.98.

Boys' All-wool Knee Pants, blue, black and mixed colors, made for wear, of good materials

SPECIAL-Boys' Doublebreasted Suits, all wool, fancy cheviots, cassimeres and worsteds, suitable for dress or every-day wear; sold up to \$4.98-Choice, \$1.98.

SPECIAL-21-inch-wide China Silk, 8 choice shades, plain colors, warranted all silk, worth 39c. yd. (but 15 yds. to a buyer)—15c.

WASP AND BEE DUELS

and Fields.

A CHILD'S OBSERVATION

In the insect world tragedies are being en-

acted daily, even hourly. Battles of all sorts occur-some conflicts in which the

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10 to 11.

40-inch-wide Black Wool Storm Serge, yarn dye, warranted fast color, low priced at 35c. yd.-19c. 40-inch-wide Wool Serges, novelties and grenates, all colors, for children's dresses, 2 to 8 yd. lengths; worth up to 25c. yd.-

Unbleached Canton Flannel, 38 inches wide, also Sheeting Muslin, extra heavy; worth all of 8c. yd.-

Ready-made Unbleached Double-bed Sheets; 72x90, hand torn and ironed, wide hems; sell at 50c.

Men's 50c. and 75c. Fancy Hose

SPECIAL-Men's Stiff Bosom and Neglige Shirts, selling at \$1

and \$1.50-59c. Men's 75c. Sweaters—29c. Men's 39c. Suspenders—19c.

Men's Plain Black Hose, the 15c. quality-7c. 24 Large All-Wool Rugs, Smyrna, Moquette, Wilton and Brussels, beautiful oriental designs and

colors; worth up to \$3-\$1.49. Extra Heavy Floor Oilcloth, pretty patterns and colors; worth up to 35c. yd.—191/2c.

Best Quality White Figured Swiss, Silkolines, Satines and Drapery Materials, good-size lengths; worth up to 18c. yd.—578c. 14 Heavy 8-4 Reversible Ar-

mure Tapestry and Chenille Table Covers; worth up to \$2 each-98c. Tuck and Pompadour Combs, Ladies' Black Hose Supporters,

Bottle of Extract, 1/2-lb. Can Talcum Powder, School Bags, and many other articles; worth up to 25c.—Choice, 5c. Large lot Men's, Women's and

Children's Best Rubbers, some worth 75c. pair-16c. Ladies' Fine Satin Quilted Juli-

ets, sell for \$1.50—Special, 45c. Ladies' Heel and Spring Shoes, nice grade; sell at \$1.25-69c.

Ladies' Shoes, broken sizes, on a show table-49c. pair.

Ladies' and Misses' Stylishly Trimmed Hats, of finest fur felts. velvets and braids, trimmed with velvet, ribbons, breasts, pompons, etc., in the newest effects; selling readily up to \$6-very special at

Newest shapes in Ladies' Turbans, Shortbacks, Large and Medium Dress Shapes, in finest fur felt; black; sell from \$1.39 to \$2.25-49c.

11 to 12.

SPECIAL-Ladies' Elegantly Trimmed Hats, the very finest examples of mid-winter millinery, made and trimmed in best velvets, chenille braids, breasts, buckles, etc., modeled from the best Parisian creations, wonderful values at from \$7 to \$13—special, \$3.98.

100-yards Black Spool Silk-

Ladies' Dress Skirts, made of finest Lymansville cheviot, wide wale, black and blue, newest shapes, best S. H. & M. binding and percaline lining, an elegant garment, regularly \$9.98-\$4.98.

New Silk Underskirts, in black and colors, elegantly made with accordion pleated ruffles and extra dust ruffle, best taffeta silk, the quality sold at double the Hour Sale price-\$4.98.

Ladies' Skirts, in the new serpentine effect, finest black and blue cheviot, graduated silk stitched bands, beautifully made, and selling at \$12.50-\$8.98.

combatants are evenly matched, others where the strong prey upon the weak.

SPECIAL-Elegant TaffetaSilk Waists, in every color and in many styles, some slightly mussed by handling-very special for this hour, \$1.98.

Ladies' Fine Black Kersey Cloth Capes, very high grade, \$6.98 usually-\$3.98.

Ladies' Coats, in finest English kersey cloth, black, tan and castor, very high grade and stylish-special at \$9.98.

Ladies' Very Fashionable Raglans, in finest English kersey cloth, castor and black, superbly high grade and selling at \$30-\$19.98.

Ladies' Electric Seal Muffs, unusually good grade, sold by furriers at \$4 and \$5-\$1.98.

Boys' Wool Knee Pants, strongly made, with double seat and knees-39c. Boys' Fine Oxford Gray and

Brown Overcoats, velvet collar, usually \$5-\$2.98. Boys' Suits, nicely made in dou-

ble-breasted styles, blue cheviot and mixtures, sizes 13 and 14 years

Young Men's Fine Blue and Black Kersey Cloth Overcoats, splendidly made, 14, 15, 16 and 17 years, have been selling at \$15special at \$5.

Lot of 8 Ladies' Fine Suits, a number of styles and fabrics, all new styles and high grade, sold at \$15—choice, \$7.50. Very Long Marten Fur Neck-

pieces, bushy tails, stylish; marked to sell for \$7.98—\$4.98. SPECIAL Ladies' Fine Quality Flannelette Wrappers, heavy grade and fast color, selling uni-

versally at \$1—special, 69c. 12 Children's All-Wool Flannel Blouse Suits, navy, with white braid trimming; sell for \$2.98-

Children's Flannelette Dresses, I to 3 years—13c.

Children's Caps, white and colored, sell at 50c.—10c.

White Applique Scarfs, Shams and Center Pieces, some very slightly soiled, worth up to 40c .-

Heavy 10-4 Blankets, white and gray, neat borders, worth 75c. pair

14 pairs Heavy Chenille Portieres, several colors, pretty borders, low priced at \$2.50 pair-98c. (I pair to a buyer.) Best Quality Holland Window

Shades, all colors, with fixtures complete-17c. Ladies' Fine Grade House Slip-

pers, worth up to 75c.—25c. Boys' Dongola Lace Shoes.

usually \$1.50—75c. Children's Fine Quality Patent Leather Shoes, sizes 6 to 8, value

Odds and ends in Men's Shoes. none worth less than \$2-special. Men's \$2 Cardigan Jackets—

Boys' All-wool Sweaters, sell at \$1.98—\$1.

SPECIAL-Men's 25c. Silk

Neckwear—5c. Men's 15c. Silk Garters-6c. Men's Famous "Anchor" Brand

White Unlaundered Shirts-39c. New Spring Dress Ginghams, all colors, checks and stripes, sell at 10c. yard regularly-61/2c.

40-inch Wide Plain White Victoria Lawn, free from dressing, real value, 10c. yard—5%c. 54-inch wide All Pure Wool

Homespun Cloth, Oxford gray, brown, new blue and castor, steamed and sponged, sold at 75c. yard—49c.

Bleached Canton Flannel, the quality sold at 8c. always, 2 to 10yard lengths-37/8c. For this hour only your choice of any \$1 yard Imported German

Silk Velvets, in black and 20 choice shades-59c.

12 to 1.

Ladies' Circular Flounce Skirts, in black and blue, beautifully trimmed with taffeta silk bands, with

flare bottom; \$8.98 usually—\$6.98. Choice of any Boys' Russian Blouse Suit, very stylish and superior grade; selling up to \$7 and \$8 -\$2.98.

Gray Leno Cloth, cross-barred effect, worth 8c. yard always-(not exceeding 1 piece to a buyer)-

Domet Outing Flannel, pink, light blue and red, colors, stripes and checks, sells at 8c. yard-57/8c. Men's \$1 White Laundered

Shirts, high grade—59c.
Boys' Percale Shirts, 75c. value 50c. Black Cashmere Gloves-

Ladies' Kidskin Button Shoes-Ladies' Drawers, deep umbrella

ruffles-121/2c. Ladies' Flannelette Kimonas, worth up to \$1-39c.

1 to 2.

Best Quality Shelf Oilcloth, pretty patterns, worth 5c. yard-

Best Grade 5-4 Colored and White Table Oilcloth, worth 20c. yard—10786. 47 Infants' Eiderdown Coats, white

and red beautifully made, sell at \$2.98—98c.i Children's Flannelette Gowns, selling at 50c -- 29c.

Men's Plain Toe Patent Leather

Shoes, elegant quality, \$2.50 regularly—\$1.00. Fashionable Walking Skirts finest blue, gray, brown and black thibet, stitched graduated bands,

\$9.98 usually-\$6.98. Children's Umbrellas, sell at 75c.

Men's 4-ply Linen Collars-5c. Torchon Laces, selling at 10c.

25c. Box Fine Toilet Soap-15c. Oxford Gray Golf Cloth for walking skirts, real value, 39c. yard

New Spring Percales, yard wide, dark and light colors, 2 to 15-yard lengths, 10c. grade-61/2c.

2 to 3.

SPECIAL—Beautifully trimmed Hats, made after French models, all very highest grades, in midwinter millinery, made and trimmed of finest quality velvets, chenille braids, breasts, buckles, etc., selling from \$7 to \$13-special for this hour, \$3.98.

SPECIAL—Beautiful Sample Silk Skirts, elegantly made with tucks, hemstitching, drop skirts, accordion-pleated ruffles, etc.; none made to sell for less than \$20. Choice, \$9.98.

Ladies' Fine Electric Seal Coats, unusually good quality and sold at \$40-\$25.

SPECIAL-You can choose from all the Ladies' Costumes, up to the very finest, no exceptions, and pay one-half marked price for your selection.

Standard Sheet Music, copy-

Finest Black Taffeta Silk Waists, many elaborate styles, all very high grade, selling at \$6 and I

All Pure Wool Camel's Hair 3 Cheviots, 40 inches wide, brown, new blue, castor, garnet and Oxford, value 49c. yd.—25c.

Cambrics, black and colors, 2 to 10-yd. lengths, regularly 5c. yd.—

35c. yd.—19c. English Pins, paper—2c.

10c. values—5c. yd.

Ladies' Silk Ruffs, sell at \$1—

Ladies' Fine Vici Kid Storm or Skating Boots, sell at \$3-\$1.65.

SPECIAL—Choice from 2,000 Fine Madras, Dimity, Linen and Percale Waists, sell at \$2-special,

14 Heavy Bed Comforts, handsome designs, sell at 6oc.-29c. 3 (but I to a buyer).

Beautiful and Stylish Sable Fox 3

Ladies' Long Black Automobile Coats, very stylish, storm collar of fine marten fur, satin lined throughout; sold at \$24.98—to

designs; worth 59c.—29c. (but 1 to 🏖 Pretty Draperies, including silkolines and Japanese crepe draperies; worth up to 10c. yd.-37/8c.

Choice of any Albatross or 3 French Flannel Waist; worth up to \$4-\$1.98.

Boys' Fleece Lined Underwear, 50c. value—19c. Women's Ribbed Fleeced Un-

20-inch-wide Black Swiss Taffeta Silk, fast selvedge, guaranteed to wear; worth 69c. yd.-46c. 54-inch-wide All Pure Wool La-

Ready-Made Linen Huck Towels, hemmed ends, red borders, 18 * x36; value, 121/2c. each-71/8c.

4 to 5.

ers, Gowns and Underskirts, all neatly trimmed; worth 50c.-33c. Choice of all Satine Underskirts, selling for \$1.98-98c.

Best Quality 5-4 Colored and White Table Oilcloth, pretty patterns; worth 20c. yd.-107/8c. Wool Eiderdowns, in red, pink,

light blue and white; regularly 25c. yd.—to close out, 19c. Men's \$3 Russet Shoes, fine grade-\$1.50.

\$8-\$3.39.

Domet Shaker Flannel, fleeced

both sides, full width, real value 7c. 1 yd.-37/8c. Dressmakers' Best Kid-finished

All Pure Wool Ladies' Flannels, for Shirt Waists, elegant value at

Embroideries, various styles,

Ladies' Golf Gloves, sell at 50c.

2 Children's Corduroy Coats, 2 to 3 years, sold at \$8.98—\$2.98.

49 Cushion Tops, pretty oriental patterns, sell at 15c .- 378c.

Fur Neckpieces, very long, bushy 3 tails; sold readily at \$14.98-a few left-to close, \$7.98.

close, \$15.98. Heavy White Bed Spreads, neat

Misses' Kid and Cloth Top Patent Leather Shoes; sell at \$1.50- 3

Ladies' Kid Gloves, sell at \$1-

derwear, 39c. kind-19c. Whisk Brooms, enamel handle 3

5c. Aluminum Hairpins, card-

dies' Broadcloth, black and all leading colors, the 75c. quality-

Ladies' Corset Covers, Draw-

trees not only is the trunk covered with these rings, but they extend quite a dis-tance up the main branches. These peculiar rings are the work of woodpeckers, and have given rise to the wrong supposition that all of our smaller birds of this variety cut into the trees to drink the sweet sap. The true sapsuckers really drink the sap of trees and eat the soft inner layer of bark, but they do not make the small holes for such work. They usually strip off large pieces of bark, somemake the small holes for such work. They usually strip off large pieces of bark, sometimes killing the trees. Woodpeckers never drink the sap or attack the soft bark, consequently the naturalist has never been able to satisfactorily explain the use of these holes.

It is evident that they are not cut in search of insects under the bark, for they do not often penetrate to the heart wood. do not often penetrate to the heart wood. Then, too, they would not be cut with such regularity if looking for insects or their grub was the object. And if the insects were plentiful all over the trunk and some distance out upon the main branches they would also be likely to appear on smaller

Students of nature have long tried to explain just why woodpeckers make these circles of holes on apple trees and nowhere else. I have never been able to find the circles on any of our forest trees, no matter how smooth the trunks and limbs may be. It has been suggested that the birds cut the holes to make hiding places in which insects may lay their eggs and where the birds will be able to locate them easily.

Take Advantage of the "Nearly. Half-Off" Prices

It's never a half-way matter when this clothing department decides upon a departure from regular selling. Always something different from anything gone before or conceived by other stores. That's what prompted the making of the "nearlyhalf-off" prices which have brought so many to the Hecht Stores this week. The lines are becoming nearly normal again-surpluses are about gone-and the present week will see an end of this most remarkable selling. The choice is as good as it was the moment the sale began.

Tomorrow.



If you've in mind sharing in this most extraordinary clothing distribution we would suggest tomorrow as the better time-the choice is still perfect—the lines are still unbroken. Read carefully the reductions-

\$10 | \$13.50 | \$20.00 | \$12.50 Suits, Suits, Overcoats, Overcoats, \$6.75 \$8.75 \$11.75 \$8.75

Pants Selling up Pants Selling up Pants Selling up

to \$2-\$1. to \$4-\$2.25. All-wool cassimeres and fancy chevlots-splendid for every-day wear.

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Power of Observation. A child learns everything by observation -personal observation. Nothing is taken for granted. It tries everything for itself and soon solves the problems nearest it. About the time it begins to reach out to grasp something more of life it is hurried into

and to realize where what is called instinct

school room. Here the little innocent is often informed by its elders that all the good things of life come to those who study books hard. The child would, of course, rather go on gaining knowledge as it had already begun, but it must bend to the superior will of teachers and parents. Soon, too soon, its God-given power is taken away from it and it is told that books must be used. Aside from the great use of the power of observation is the pleasure to be got from it in wood and field. Nothing can compare

to the enjoyment which the student feels

when he learns nature's secrets while he is close to her heart. No description in any

book can give the pleasure found in read-ing the open page of the universe—the page which is spread before all with the power is taken to cultivate literary taste, a fine for color and drawing, and yet this same power of observation is allowed to shift for itself. It is permitted to rust until its possessor goes out into the world, asking that some one interpret everything for him through written symbols. Instead of en-

FOR A PERMANENT EXHIBIT.

Officers Chosen by Woman's Interna tional Exposition Association. The Industrial Woman's International Exposition Association held a meeting at the Arlington Hotel yesterday afternoon and elected Mr. T. E. Roessle, proprietor of the Arlington, president; Mr. F. C. Stevens, president of the West End National Bank, treasurer, and Miss Elizabeth Hill, secretary. The meeting was largely attended by ladies and gentlemen who have in the past displayed interest in the pro-

The objects of the new association are to aid in establishing a permanent indus-trial exhibit of the handiwork of woman in arts, science, sculpture, medicine, liter ature, invention and manufactures, and thereby prove her worth as an industrial promoter and her value as an educator.

In accepting the office of president Mr.
Roessle stated that he did so with much pleasure, for he had been watching with nterest the progress of the work done by the Woman's National Industrial and Patriotic League in its efforts to establish a permanent display of woman's work. "I realize," he said, "that great good will come to our city by having here this proposed permanent exhibit, which will, o course, be installed in a spacious and hand some building, and will go a long way in further beautifying the city and aid in making it the great educational city of the world." Mr. Roessle further suggested that the preliminary display be made during the early part of next year. He will announce in a few days several important

Mrs. Charlotte Smith, who was the orignator and acting president of the asso- bureau of engraving and printing.

clation, said, in turning over the Mr. Roessle: "In relinquishing the tem-porary office of president I do so with the full knowledge and belief that the new full knowledge and belief that the new president and those who will be associated with him will faithfully carry out the plans heretofore advanced by me pertaining to establishing a monument to woman's worth and work in a permanent industrial exhibit at the national capital. You will not find any bills due; there is not one dollar indebtedness, and there has been but little money contributed and none solicited. It is time, however, that financial aid was forthcoming, for I cannot stand the financial drain and mental strain longer.

to \$6-\$3.75.

"The citizens of Washington will, no doubt, more readily help promote the work when there are prominent business men at the head of such a great undertaking. I will be pardoned, I hope, by declaring that I have thus far contributed over fif-teen thousand dollars to the movement which I have so close at heart."

Mr. Paul J. Pelz, the well-known archi-

and Paul J. Petz, the well-known architect, who helped design the Congressional Library, was present, and submitted plans for a building in which to house the proposed permanent exhibit of the association.

Mr. Pelz promised material aid to President Roessle and Director General Smith in making the display next year a success

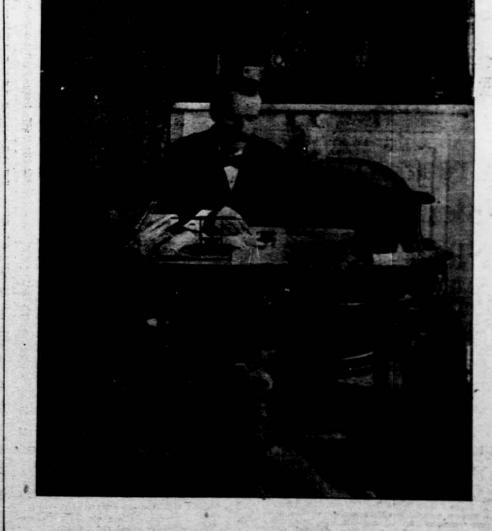
ALLEGED ASSAULT.

Young Colored Men Accused by Elizabeth Wright. repetition of the affair at Congre Heights recently when Mrs. Mary Hun-Joying nature as she manifests herself, he must take her offerings interpreted in a gerford of Binghamton, N. Y., was stop ped on Nichols avenue by two men, who endeavored to force her to accompany them to St. Elizabeth's Asylum for the Insane book, in a musical composition or on a bit from there, occurred Tuesday evening on Nichols avenue in Hillsdale. Elizabeth Wright, a respectable colored woman, who lives on Pomeroy avenue in that village with Robert Wright, her uncle, was proceeding to her work in Anacostia, when she was halted by two young colored men. They seized her and ordered her to go with them, it is alleged. She resisted and ran some distance down the street, fol-lowed by the two. She raised an outcry and a crowd gathered on the street. Finaland a crowd gathered on the street. Finally she ran into a grocery store and appealed for aid to some white men. saying that the two youths were trying to force her to go to St. Elizabeth's Asylum. Mr. Thomas Griffith and others came to her rescue at this juncture, drove off her pursuers and sent for the police. The two men disappeared quickly and were not to be found. The officers will cause their arreas on charges of assault.

Death of William C. McCauley. Word has reached the Post Office Department that William Cooper McCauley, for many years a watchman in the post office building, died in Philadelphia a few days ago. It was stated that his body had been buried in Oakland cemetery in West Chester, Pa., by McCall Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

Mr. McCauley had been a resident of Machine and Machine and

Mr. McCauley had been a was one of Washington many years. He was one of four brothers, all of whom served in the civil war, and two of whom-L. G. McCauley of West Chester and John R. McCauley of Susquehanna, Pa.-survive him. One sister, Mrs. R. A. Payne of Philadelphia, living. The former is employed in the Treasury Department and the latter in the



HECHTS' GREATER STORES, 513-515 Seventh St.

One warm summer day, while sitting in the shadow of a large country house, my attention was attracted by some small Dispute Over the Possession of a wasps which were flying about. I watched them and soon discovered that they were building their nests in the rough cracks and crannies of the limestone blocks which

STRONGEST WAS THE CONQUEROR Just above one of the wasp's nests several little green insects resembling bees were walking rapidly around. They displayed great nervousness, and their "feel-The Pleasures Found in the Woods ers" were trembling constantly. Their whole behavior was so out of the ordinary that they immediately excited my curiosity. and I later found myself well repaid for watching them.

formed the foundation of the house.

As one of the wasps left its nest and flew away a bee walked rapidly down the wall and examined the domicile thoroughly. It appeared satisfied with the inspection and took its stand on the wall about two inches above the appears of the past. Seen the took its stand on the wall about two inches above the opening of the nest. Soon the wasp came back with a worm and deposited it in the opening. The moment it departed the bee ran hurriedly down the wall and again entered the nest, only to come out a few seconds later, turn around and back into the hole and lay an egg on the worm, which the wasp had stung into insensibility and stored away to be used as provender later by its young when hatched.

The bee was evidently in a great hurry, for no sooner was its egg deposited than it ran back to its original position on the face of the wall. Its "feelers" continued their restless movement all the while it waited. The unsuspecting wasp came back with another worm and stored it away as I had

seen it do the other. It departed again in search of more food for its future family, and once more the bee ran down to the nest and laid another egg.

The performance on the part of both insects was repeated time after time. Most of the trips after worms kept the wasp at least five minutes, and the bee seemed to gradually grow less cautious. The climax

The wasp returned after an excursion of a minute and a half and surprised the bee in the nest. The rightful owner of the home flew directly at the head of the intruder. The bee tried to retreat up the wall, but the wasp followed and forced it to fight for its life. Although I watched the duel between the wo insects with closest attention, I could ee very little of what happened, as the

onslaughts of the wasp were so frequent and rapid. The fight grew flercer and flercer and the insects dropped to the ground and tumbled over and over in their attempts to sting each other in some vital spot.
Suddenly the wasp broke away and the Suddenly the wasp broke away and the bee kicked helplessly in the dust. The former made no further attempt to sting its antagonist, but stood by and watched it gradually relax and die. The wasp made a toilet by washing its face with its forelegs and then flew away, to return shortly with a freshly stung worm as though nothing out of the ordinary had happened. After

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the last worn was placed in the hole in the wall the was laid an egg on it and sealed the opening with mud. I wondered what would be the cut ome of the hatching of the eggs of the wasp; and it the were to be hatched at about the same time what manner of battle would take older in the dark hole in the limestone wall.

I found no little interest in watching the other wasps while the incidents that led up to the strug led ween the wasp and the bee were in process. One of the little thread-waist just is was busy measuring hales in the incidents that led up to the strug led ween the wasp and the bee were in process.

bee were in progress. One of the little thread-waist insets was busy measuring holes in the line stone to learn whether they were large shough to afford a nest for its babies. It opened its "feelers" and measured the width of one crack after another, evidently finding them too small. At length an opening that seemed to suit was located. Its depths were explored and proven to he satisfactory. The ways flow was located. Its depths were explored and proven to be satisfactory. The wasp flew away and returned with mud and the actual home building had commenced. The opening was plastered over, leaving a hole just large enough for the wasp to enter the The next step was the collection of provender for the future family. I took out my watch to learn just how long the wasp would be in flying away and coming back with its prey. The trips were wide in their ranges. Some of them lasted only a minute and a half, while others were as long as fourteen minutes.

The Tattooed Tree. In every old orchard numerous trees may e found with ring after ring of small holes encircling their trunks. The holes are not

Whether this is so or not is still deep, rarely penetrating through the soft inner layer of the bark, but they give the tree an odd appearance when looked at closely, as they usually encircle it at regular intervals of about an inch. On some